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Governor Rounds Proclaims "Correctional Employees Week"

(Pierre) - Governor M. Michael Rounds has proclaimed May 5th-May 9th as "Correctional Employees Week" in South Dakota.

The Governor's executive proclamation recognizes "the significant work and unique contributions of correctional employees in adult and juvenile corrections institutions and agencies". Governor Rounds also recognizes that correctional employees "dutifully perform their work with courage, pride and true professionalism" while ensuring the public safety by supervising incarcerated offenders and effectively providing custody and care of sentenced adults and adjudicated juveniles.

Secretary of Corrections Tim Reisch joins the Governor in commending all correctional employees for their work. "I'm extremely proud of the work the staff does. Our primary mission is to custody, care and supervision of adult and juvenile offenders", Reisch said. "They perform their duties twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year with tremendous dedication under very difficult conditions with little recognition for their great work."

Corrections employees in South Dakota are responsible for the supervision, custody and care of more than 3-thousand adult inmates, 17-hundred parolees and more than 11-hundred juvenile offenders in placement and on aftercare.